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Architecture of the new University Center probably would come under the catch-all of ultra-modern. Specifically, the structure is

imposing in its simplicity. The clean brick and glass facade reflects the spacious functional design.

Winter Quarter Marks Opening Of \$1.6 Million University Center

All facilities of the brand new winter quarter center, including the cafeteria, faculty and student lounge, and the new post office, are now open.

The cafeteria and snack bar were opened at the opening of the fall quarter. The completion of the other facilities was marked by a free dance held in the new ball room on January 8. This dance featured Billy Joe Royal and the Daytonas.

Cost of the center was \$1,600,000 which was borrowed and will be repaid from income of services in the building and by the eight dollar increase in the student activities fee.

SERVICES of the center are the cafeteria, catering service, snack bar, bookstore, billiards, and rental of facilities to outside groups. Student usage is covered by the activities fee.

Hours for the building are 6:30 a. m.-12 p. m. Friday and Saturday, and 8 a. m.-11:30 p. m. on Sunday.

Recreation hours are 9 a. m. to one half hour before the building closing time Monday through Saturday.

Facilities of the building include a ballroom which will accommodate approximately 300 couples. There are three private dining rooms beside the ballroom which together accommodate 70 people. The ballroom when used for banquets, will accommodate approximately 400 people. The ballroom is open for outside groups as long as it does not conflict with university functions.

On the second floor there are also four private meeting rooms with wall-to-wall car-

peting and lounge furniture, including a TV arranged for small groups.

Also on the second floor are the bookstore, post office, and offices of the Director of the University Center, Student Government offices, and the bookstore office.

The bookstore, self-service, is open from 8 a. m.-7 p. m. weekdays and 8 a. m.-12 noon on Saturdays.

For the first time a full-time employee is on duty in the university post office. All students who do not have a residence hall mailbox have one in the Center.

The first floor of the Center houses the cafeteria with a seating capacity of about 450. The Snack Bar is also on this floor.

A TV room, card playing room, a ping-pong and billiards room are also in the first floor. Cards and ping-pong equipment may be checked out at the equipment office. Billiards are played at 90¢ an hour.

THE STUDENT activities room is available for all clubs by scheduling through the Student Government office.

Policies of the Center are governed by a policy making board composed of students, faculty and administrators. Two meetings have been held and others will follow.

Campus Leaders, Miss UTM Nominations Now Open

The legislative branch of the Student Government held its fourth business session Tuesday night in the University Center.

Trophies were presented to the Homecoming float and car winners by Roland Young, vice president of Student Government.

Mr. David Brodick, University Food Service Director, spoke to the senate upon some of the problems he had encountered in the new cafeteria and how these problems may be solved. He also commented on the catering service that is now available for use within the University Center.

President Bill Milliken explained that campus organizations would be allowed to use the ballroom in the new University Center for a charge of \$100 if an admission was charged. The cost will be \$40 if admission is charged.

The announcement was made that campus leaders elections will be held January 31. Three students with over a 2.25 cumulative average and no classes pending with the University will be nominated by each organization. A group, afterward the student senate will choose the nominees. Five men and 10 women, who will appear in the ballot January 31. The student body will then elect six men and four women as campus leaders.

President Milliken then appointed the committee to prepare for the 1967 MISS UTM Pageant, which will be held February 3 and 4.

P. A. L. Blaylock was appointed general chairman of

the pageant. Other committee chairman appointed are: Nancy Neese, publicity; Marilyn Counce, orator and runners; Pat Taylor, program committee; Larry Sanders, staging and decorations; and Wanda McKee, awards.

The winner will receive a \$100 scholarship and represent UTM in the Strawberry Festival and the Miss Tennessee contest. All entries, names, are organized with a 25 fee, must be submitted to the Student Government office by their sponsors, the clubs or organizations no later than January 10.

One Room Destroyed Entire Wing Vacated Due To Fire Tues.

Fire broke out in a room singly occupied by Miss Priscilla (Suki) White, a freshman from Tampa, Florida, at approximately 10:30 Tuesday morning in the A wing of the Women's Y Dorm.

The Martin Fire Department was summoned and extinguished the blaze within 20 minutes after arrival. According to Mr. Will Dickerson, Director of the Physical Plant, there may have been a "slight explosion" which may have been caused "by a cigarette left burning which caught some paper or rags on fire causing a can of hair spray to explode."

THE FIRE, which broke out when no one was in the room, was confined to room 237 and no one was injured. Miss White's personal property and the room's furnishings were destroyed. Mr. Dickerson explained, "There is no way of making an accurate estimate on the total damage."

A wing was vacated due to the damage and most of the girls were assigned to rooms in the same building, while a few went to another girl's hall on campus. Mr. Dickerson said, "An effort has been made to keep a minimum of disruption to the other."

MOVEMENT back into the wing will take place as soon as it is possible following the investigation of the cause of the fire and the removal of the damaged area.

Jackson Coed Killed In Wreck

A 19-year-old freshman from Jackson, Tennessee, Miss Laura Joe Barnes, was fatally injured when her car crashed into a Union City home on New Year's eve.



LAURA BARNES

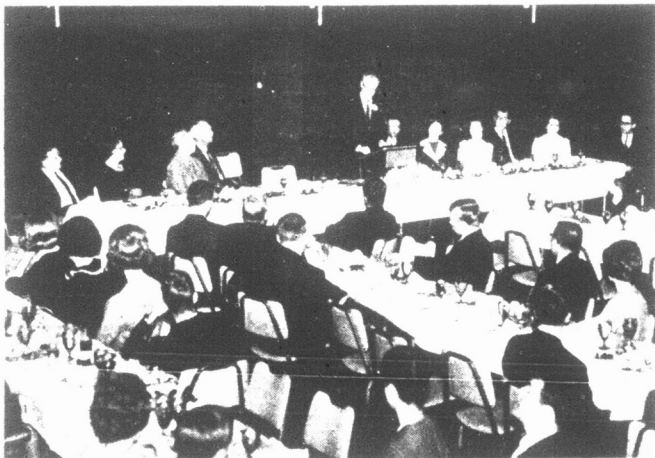
Only hours later Miss Barnes' date, Donald McGaugh, an 18-year-old freshman from Union City was badly burned in an explosion in the Volunteer Trailer Park in a coincidental but unrelated accident.

Miss Barnes died en route to Baptist Hospital in Memphis from extensive internal injuries. Mr. McGaugh is in the Obion County General Hospital undergoing treatment for burns.

The explosion demolished the trailer when gas fumes ignited rolling a ball of fire through the trailer while McGaugh was asleep.



DON MCGAUGH



Dean Flewollen of Mississippi State University addresses the Business Club at their annual banquet held in the University Center Monday night.

Business Club Hears University Center Dean W.C. Flewollen Permits Expansion At Annual Banquet

The Business Club held its annual banquet Monday night in the University Center ball room with Dean W.C. Flewollen from Mississippi State University as guest speaker.

The club members and guests were fed buffet style by the University Center catering service. This was the first time the dining hall has been used since the opening of the center.

After the meal the group heard an address from Dean Flewollen regarding the problems of the business world facing the college student today. This speech was followed by the presentation of a check to the club by the dean.

The old Student Activities building, recently vacated by the bookstore and post office, has been remodeled to provide 30 new classrooms and offices for faculty members. The VOLUNTEER has moved its headquarters to the old snack bar which has been modified to provide a dark room and office. The Military Dept. will remain in its present quarters.

The old cafeteria, originally intended for the Student Drama Dept., has been allocated for a research project for a research project.

Dean Flewollen, who is a member of the Business Club, said that the club has a long history of service to the business world and that the club has a long history of service to the business world.

English Writing Labs Scheduled

Writing labs for winter quarter are scheduled between the hours 1-3 and 6-8 on Tuesday, 6-8 on Wednesday, and 6-8 on Thursday. All instruction will be given on an individual basis by Mr. Swafford and his assistants in Room 228 of the Administration Building.

All lab work will be on a voluntary basis with students being allowed to attend one session or all of the lab sessions each week. Students from all majors are scheduled to attend sessions during the semester.

The lab fee will be \$1.00 per session. Students who have completed the lab fee will be allowed to attend the lab for free.

Lynda Bird Johnson Recalls College Days

New York — Lynda Bird Johnson declared recently in her first article for McCall's since joining the magazine's staff, that college life for her was very nearly "all books and no social life" because she "didn't have the time — or perhaps the inclination — to get into the social whirl on campus."

"In my four years of college," Miss Johnson said, "I spent most of my semesters worrying about grades and the time that remained studying for them. The drive for grades took precedence over practically everything else."

MISS Johnson's reminiscence on what "makes college the adventure that it is," published in McCall's current issue, n

just released, were written to inaugurate a new department designed especially for younger readers.

Recalling some of the "anguish" and the "great satisfaction" of her days at the University of Texas at Austin, Miss Johnson said students should be "more adventurous" in the selection of courses—"I wish I had been,"

"Grades were important to me," she declared, "because they were something I made on my own and were not the result of who my parents were, what sorority I belonged to or how much money I had."

"THEY were something I earned and was not given to me, and I found that I had a constant desire to measure myself by them," she said. "If I had not worried about jeopardizing my average, I would probably have taken more varied subjects. I would not have avoided economics just because I was terrible in math. I would have dipped into fields such as art and music."

"THE THING I remember most vividly about the first bewildering weeks in college is not so much that I and the other entering freshmen were ignorant, but that we were afraid to admit it," the President's daughter wrote in McCall's.

She said she wished someone had told her that "if there is any problem in the roommate situation, it's best to talk it out immediately, before it swells like yeast inside and causes an explosion of hard feelings."

"I had been used to a room of my own or at least to being able to throw my sister out of my room when I wanted privacy or peace for study," she recalled. "Sharing a room and an environment meant making an adjustment to other people's habits and convenience."

"IF IT SOUNDS as if my college experience was all books and no social life," Miss Johnson said, "that's fairly close to the truth. In that respect, I wasn't at all typical."

"My social life and extracurricular life were off-campus, and I didn't have the time—or perhaps the inclination—to get into the social whirl on campus."

However, in one respect, Miss Johnson disclosed, her social life was typical. She said she refused to select friends on the basis of "who their parents were, what their parents did or whether they were related to the Browns of El Paso," but she found that, like parents everywhere, "My parents always asked!"

Miss Johnson endorsed the idea "that the broad-survey courses in art, music, philosophy, psychology, economics, etc., be offered to students not majoring in those fields, on a pass-or-fail basis."

"If the subjects were counted for credit but not incorporated in the student's average, there would be a real incentive to take varied courses," she said.

SHE REPORTED she "steered away from elective courses, no matter how interesting, if I felt that I would be at a severe disadvantage in them because I had no background in the subject."

"Oddly enough," she said in McCall's, "some of the most rewarding courses I took were ones I was forced to

take."

"I found that there were three reasons for choosing one course over another: It was required for a degree; I knew a lot about the subject and thought I could get a good grade in it without too much hard work; or it was a subject that interested me."

"I'M SORRY now that I didn't take more electives with

the professors who had high reputations for scholarship, even if they also had reputations for insisting on volumes of outside reading and numerous term papers. As I think about it now, it seems too bad to miss the chance of some contact with the great scholars of a university, no matter what their method of teaching."

Phi Sigs Have Astro Bro.

Phi Sigma Kappa Fraternity has spanned the continent and is now spreading to outer space. Astronaut Richard F. Gordon became the first "Phi Sig" to orbit the earth last September.

A member of Lambda Deuteron chapter at the University of Washington, Gordon and Charles Conrad splashed down on September 15, 1966, after the ninth and one of the most successful manned Gemini space flights.

THE THREE-DAY flight lasted 71-hours and 44 Revolutions. "Phi Sig" Gordon and Conrad completed NASA's quickest rendezvous and docking with their Agena target. While the two spacemen were establishing a new altitude record of 850 miles, Brother Gordon performed two extra curricular functions. In addition to a space walk and photography assignment, Gordon also attached a tether line to Agena's hull.

The two space travelers climaxed their history-making jaunt above the earth by effecting the quickest and most accurate reentry to date. Gordon and Conrad splashed down in the Western Atlantic only two miles from the recovery ships and in full view of a live TV audience.

Brother Gordon was selected Phi Sigma Kappa's "Man of the Year" in 1964, and his latest triumph adds luster to the career of a worthy brother, according to the Phi Sigs.

Slot Car Curves Lure Students To Speedway

BY CHARLES HUGHES

Maneuvering the model through the spirals of the speedway, the slot car enthusiast races against time and other racers. To win requires skill as well as speed. The winner is not always the racer with the faster car.

To win necessitates talented control of the miniature auto through the curves of the track without a spinout. Once this ability is obtained, the racer is ready to compete.

When driving skill is acquired, speed is the next goal of the slot car hobbyist. High velocity is attained by trimming excess weight. This often results in an almost weightless auto.

With vacuum-molded plastics and hollow tubing, the miniature jalopy is as much air as anything else. Having little gravity pull, the rapid racer can rival in miniature any present speed record.

Though not as popular as some sports, slot car racing is rapidly becoming one of the most popular hobbies in the country.

The number of miniature racing fans are increasing so rapidly that tracks are being installed in almost every town of 5,000 and up in the nation. All types of racing are available. The enthusiast may choose from road racing, drag racing, or oval tracks.

Which ever form the "driver" chooses, he is certain of capturing all the epic excitement of the big-time races. He has all the fascination and none of the perils.

Nor is the hobbyist confined to any make or model of car. Slot cars vary in style from the Ford Lotus to the Dodge wagons. Those racers so mechanically inclined can combine kits and built their own customized autos.

For almost every model, there is a choice of scales to choose (1/24 and 1/32 being the most common. The choice is often determined

Alpha Gamma Rho Initiates Eight

Eight men were initiated into the Alpha Upsilon chapter of Alpha Gamma Rho Thursday night. They were Ronnie Boyd, sophomore in agriculture from Paris; Charles Brasher, junior in agriculture from Jackson; Steve Carson, freshman in agriculture from Dyersburg; Joe Gibson, freshman in agriculture from Dyersburg; Alan Hoffmann, freshman in biological education from Waterloo, Ill.; Buddy Morrow, sophomore in agriculture from Williamsport; Jim Sowell, sophomore in agriculture from Union City; and Mike Waller, freshman in pre-veterinary medicine from Bolivar.

Alpha Gamma Rho is a national social-professional organization that promotes the development of better mental, social, moral, and physical qualities. Students majoring in agriculture or closely related fields are eligible to pledge.

He who boasts that he says what he thinks, doesn't.

Simple Advice

You can never tell what a girl will do next, and if you can, you shouldn't.

The average automobile uses in seven years about the same amount of fuel that a large jet airliner uses in two hours.

He thinks big because he never has any money.

Some people read just enough material to remain misinformed.

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Prof. Disrobes

--Gypsy Pose Lee may be relegated to second place in burlesque history, now that a George Washington University instructor has taken to stripping.

Having warned students in his sociology class that he was about to do something slightly unorthodox, Joseph Tropea put on sunglasses and divested himself of suit coat, tie, shirt and trousers.

Standing before the class in his undershirt, bermudas and garters, Tropea concluded his lecture on the roles individuals play. By departing from the normal garb and behavior of an instructor,

Tropea said later, he was trying to illustrate the process of role changing.

Somewhat uncertain of the effect his performance would have on the class, Tropea also expressed a more personal uncertainty. "As I started to take down my pants, I had to think, 'Did I put on my bermudas?'"

After disrobing, Tropea asked class members if he was in a different role now that they had seen him in a different light. The class, which at first had laughed, said he was not in a different role because he still stood behind a podium which was surrounded by chairs, desks, and blackboards.

The experiment was intended to disrupt student expectations, Tropea said, and was something he hoped they would remember.



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Student Attitudes Important

(ACP) — Students can do little to correct the inadequacies of faculty and administration but they can take positive action in one area — and it's the students' move in the academic game, says the Campus Chat, North Texas State University, Denton.

That area is individual philosophy and attitudes — attitudes not only toward scholarship and education per se but also toward these elements as a means to a more rewarding and meaningful life.

Creative learning and research by the student go hand-in-hand creative teaching by the professor. Far too often the dialogue method must be rejected because, as one professor observed, the only thing he could do was drill a hole in students' heads and pour in the material. The observation is an overstatement, but its basis is alarmingly valid.

The administration and board of regents have recently indicated a willingness to broaden academic horizons. The board is studying plans for professional programs in engineering, pharmacy and social work as well as doctoral degrees in history, English and math and a performance doctorate in music. Student laziness and a dullard attitude cannot be abided in the light of these announcements.

It would be tragic if the progress of this university were halted by a student-faculty-administration impasse in which each waits stubbornly for the other to make the first progressive move. Such silly games, played by minds fettered with preconceived rules and regulations, cannot be won by anyone.

The administration seems to have its first move academically. Who will move next?

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With hardly enough twisting room for terpsichory, dancers initiated the opening of the University Center last week.



Eating facilities in the cafeteria in the University Center are airy and appetizing when chow is on.

ChiOmegas Claim 22 New Sisters

Chi Omega initiated 22 new actives last Sunday.

They are: Kay Barker, freshman in liberal arts from McKenzie; Cynthia Black, freshman in home economics from Bolivar; Naomi Carpenter, sophomore in secondary education from Memphis; Nelda Clement, freshman in secondary education from South Fulton; Marilyn Counce, sophomore in home economics from Savannah; Donna Cox, freshman in education from Jackson; Marilyn Davis, freshman in secondary education from Tiptonville; Brenda Farrow, freshman in liberal arts from Bells; Carol Francisco, freshman in liberal arts from Huntingdon; Paula Herron, freshman in home economics from Centerville;

Mary Sue Jones, freshman in elementary education from Dyersburg; Cheryl James, freshman in liberal arts from New Johnsonville; Donna Kerr, freshman in home economics from Memphis; Suzanne Kerr, sophomore in elementary education from Memphis; Cathy McLoughlin, freshman in home economics from Champaign, Illinois; Linda Nanney, freshman in liberal arts from South Fulton; Nancy Neese, freshman in business from Martin; Mary Kate Penn, freshman in home economics from Union City; Kathy Prather, freshman in home economics from Paris; Backy Spann, freshman in elementary education from Nashville; Molly Van Dyke, freshman in home economics from Paris; and Diane Watkins, sophomore in elementary education from McEwen.

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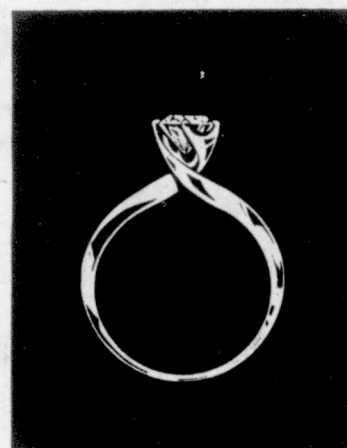
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Chi O And ATO High In Greek Scholarship

With the end of the quarter the competition among the sororities and the fraternities in scholarship is climaxed with the announcement of the final grade point averages.

Chi Omega led the sorority list for averages from the actives, the pledges, and the two combined.

The Chi Omega actives' 2.98 easily beat the Alpha Omicron Pi actives' 2.69. Next was Zeta Tau Alpha with a 2.65 and Alpha Delta Pi with a 2.62.

The Chi Omega pledges' 2.88 topped the Alpha Delta Pi pledges' 2.69. The Zeta Tau Alpha pledges were next with a 2.51 and the Alpha Omicron Pi pledges followed with a 2.16.

In the combined active and pledge rating Chi Omega led with a 2.94. Following with a 2.94. Following were Alpha Delta Pi with a 2.66, Zeta Tau Alpha with a 2.60, and Alpha Omicron Pi with a 2.45. Helping the Chi Omega averages were four point averages from Sherry Tate,

Judy Pritchard, Diana Morris, and Carol Medling.

In the fraternity listings the Alpha Tau Omega actives while Alpha Gamma Rho led in pledges and combined averages.

The Alpha Tau Omega actives' 2.65 topped the Alpha Gamma Rho actives' 2.53. Next came Pi Kappa Alpha with a 2.38 and Phi Sigma Kappa with a 2.23.

In the pledge standings Alpha Gamma Rho led with a 2.29. Next were Phi Sigma Kappa with a 2.33, Alpha Tau Omega with a 1.95, and Pi Kappa Alpha with a 1.60.

First in the combined active and pledge averages was Alpha Gamma Rho with a 2.48. Next was Phi Sigma Kappa with a 2.23, followed closely by Alpha Tau Omega with a 2.22. Pi Kappa Alpha followed with a 2.00.

For both men and women the grade point averages improved this fall over last fall. This fall women averaged 2.47 as compared with last fall's 2.36. The men's average improved from a 1.92 in the fall of 1965 to a 1.99 in the fall of 1966.

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Dr. N.W. Robinson Joins Ag. Dept.

Dr. N.W. Robinson, the most recent addition to the faculty, is an Associate Professor of Animal Nutrition in the College of Agriculture.

Dr. Robinson, his wife and seven children have just returned from Brazil where he was an animal nutritionist in charge of establishing Fed-

eral Ministry Research Stations. This work was done at an IRI Research Institute under contract with the United States government with funds from the Rockefeller and Ford Foundations involved.

Dr. Robinson earned his B.S., M.S. and Ph.D. degrees from Cornell, Kansas State, and Oklahoma State respectively. Originally from New York, but reared in Oklahoma, Dr. Robinson did seven years of research at Louisiana State University and served two years with the Animal Husbandry Extension Service in Knoxville prior to moving to Brazil.

Dr. Robinson served four years in the Army, two in the Korean War, and held the rank of major in artillery.



Dr. Robinson

ISA Meets Tonight

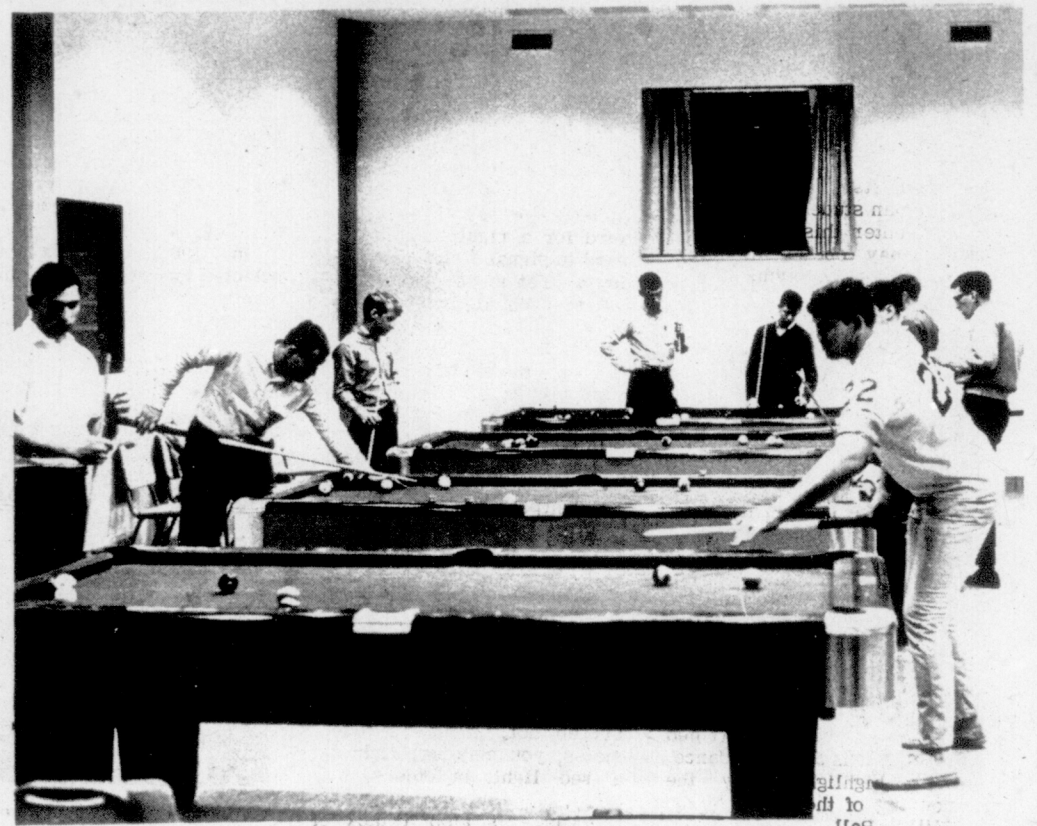
The Independent Student Association will meet in room 204 to the ESP building at 7 p.m. tonight.

Plans and projects for the coming year will be discussed, and all members were urged to attend this first meeting of the new year by Ken Boyte, ISA president.

Any student not affiliated with a sorority or fraternity is eligible to attend and join at this meeting.



Red velveteen walls spiked with indirect lights reflect the pomp grandeur of the Ball Room.



The chalk and cue crews man the new billiard tables. Eight-ball, straight pool, rotation — cooling it off the cushions — are terms being talked over the greens.

Phi Sigma Kappa Elects Officers, Gains Nine Bros.

John "Jeep" Garner, a liberal arts junior from Union City, will lead the Tau Te-tarton chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa during winter quarter. Garner and the other remaining officers were elected in a recent chapter meeting. Bill Neese was reelected as vice-president. Neese will also serve as chapter treasurer. Ken London and Brad Brodie serve as rush chairman. Bobby Kelly assumes the post

of secretary and Frank Vestal again will serve as chapter treasurer. Ken London and Brad Brodie were elected to inductor and sentinel.

Non-executive positions of pledge trainers were given to Jim Guy and Eddie Eckert. Hugh Deck, the oldest active brother, was also unanimously chosen as the chapter's Honorary House Mother.

ONE OF the new executives first functions was to

initiate nine new brothers. Fall quarter pledges Gary McMakin, Jerry Snidow, John Bucy, Larry Smith, Glen Weak, Bill Harber, Tom Atkins, Don Balthrop, and Mack Wiggins were inducted as brothers to "the evergrowing throng" to boost the number of "Phi Sig" activities to 50.

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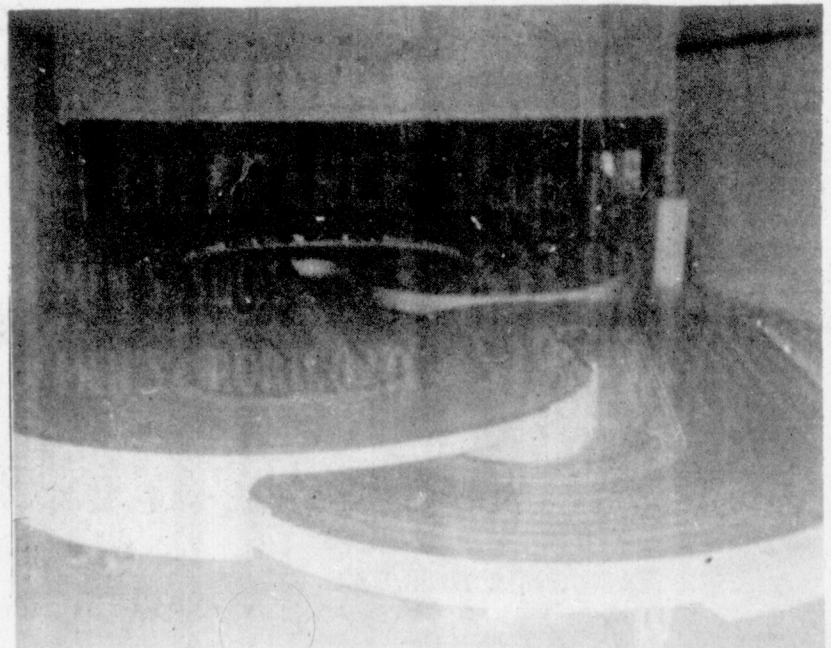
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Intramural Insights

BY CHARLES HUGHES

The men's open basketball tournament will begin on January 17. Any student may form a team of eight to 14 members and enter this event.

Registration forms, including a list of players, must be turned in by 5:30 p.m. of January 16, when the drawings will be held.

Other coming events in men's intramurals include handball (sign up by January 19), free throw shooting (sign up by January 26), and IFC basketball.

The women's open badminton championship tourney began yesterday. This event is a singles tournament. The people to watch are last year's winners, Tat Thornhill and Edna Massey.

Women's shuffleboard began play yesterday. Matches are posted on the intramural board in the lobby of the old gym. The ones to watch are Joyce Sorrell and Chris Robinson, last year's winners.

Women's open basketball began last night in the old gym. There are ten teams in this event. Pairings are posted on the bulletin board of the old gym.

January 14 is the deadline for entries in the mixed badminton tournament. Each entry consists of one man and one woman student.

To enter this event, students may obtain an entry form from either gym.

Military Ball To Be Jan. 27

The 1967 Annual Military Ball will be held in the University Center on January 27 at 8 p.m. "Jimmy and the Exiles" will provide the entertainment. They have just completed a tour with the Dick Clark Caravan of Stars and are presently touring the country with the Monkeys.

The dance is open to military men in all of the Armed Forces. It is a formal dance, being highlighted by the crowning of the queen of the Military Ball.

Other entertainment will be provided by faculty members, as well as members of the Corps of Cadets. Refreshments will be provided by the Cadet Officers Club, which is sponsoring the event. Tickets are \$4 per couple and may be obtained from the Military Department office on the UTM campus in Martin.

Today's artists prove conclusively that nothing in the world is as bad as they've painted it.

Harmony Badly Needed On Today's Highways

Suppose you learned to drive in a state where a car making a left turn must yield the right-of-way until all cars coming in the opposite direction have passed. Now take a trip in North Carolina, where—as in quite a few other states—a driver turning left who is in the intersection first has the right-of-way; he need not stop to let oncoming cars go by. As you approach an intersection, you are amazed to see a car making a left turn directly across the path of your car. You are lucky if you avoid an accident.

YOU ARE a careful driver who never passes another car when you are not supposed to. But suppose you are making an interstate trip. In Minnesota, Iowa, Wisconsin, Tennessee, and Indiana you are forbidden to pass when there is a solid yellow line to the right of the center strip. In Pennsylvania lines are merely cautionary; no-passing zones are indicated by signs. And in Georgia the line is placed by the right edge of the roadway. Fail to see it, and you may pass a slow car illegally and lose your life.

Fifty-one thousand persons were killed on our highways in 1966, and 3,000,000 injured. Fourteen percent of all fatal accidents involve out-of-state drivers. Clearly, in high-speed modern traffic there's no room for confusion and delay. Experts have estimated that if all traffic laws were uniform, 2,000 fewer persons would die each year on U. S. highways.

ACCEPTED driver signals in most states are the hand and arm — extended horizontally for a left turn, upward for a right turn, downward to signal a stop or slowdown. Yet in several states the legal signals differ drastically from these, and in Pennsylvania may only be given by the electric blinker. Motorists in all states must stop behind a halted school bus as it discharges passengers. But drivers in Hawaii, Texas, and Oklahoma are then permitted, using their own judgement, to proceed at 10 m.p.h. before the children have finished debarking—a difference which could lead to disastrous consequences.

SOME states permit U-turns; others do not. The laws of 44 states authorize overtaking and passing on the right; six do not. In half a dozen states, you may turn right on a red light; in others, no.

There is also a lack of uniformity in driver licensing. In one state, an official was shocked to find that ten percent of the people receiving state aid to the blind were still licensed to drive. In Louisiana, Wyoming, Maine, Massachusetts, and New York, no laws prohibit the issuing of licenses to drug addicts or people suffering from mental illness. Only a few states determine the physical conditions of older drivers by examination. Such disparity contains an element of danger, for a person licensed to drive in one state is licensed to drive in all states.

HOW ABOUT speeds? In South Dakota, the daytime limit is 75 m.p.h. In Massachusetts, even on some open highways, it may be 40 m.p.h. Do conditions vary that much between states? The U. S. Bureau of Public Roads has found that driving at a speed greatly below that of other cars can cause serious accidents. Yet eight states have no law prohibiting driving which impedes the normal and reasonable movement of traffic.

We spend tens of millions of dollars to teach people a common language. But our traffic regulations remain a confused baffle. Could we not have harmony on our highways?

Roberts To Speak To Republicans

Ken Roberts, Nashville attorney and bank executive, will address the campus Young Republican Club on Tuesday, January 17 at 8 p.m. in room 228 of the Administration Building.

In 1965, Roberts was selected the outstanding Young Republican in Tennessee. He was also the unsuccessful candidate for the Republican nomination for the U.S. Senate in 1966.



Ken Roberts

In addition to having served as president of the Nashville Young Republican Club, Roberts was chairman of the Davidson County Republican Party in 1964-65. He also was a delegate to the Republican Nomination Convention and served as State Republican Campaign Manager in 1964.

"Mr. Roberts speech should prove of use and interesting to all," stated Charles Hughes, YR chairman. "The public is cordially invited to attend."

As It Looks From Here

BY BILL BENSON

The Volunteers wind-up a thus far disastrous road series against two Volunteer State Athletic Conference foes this week.

Tonight Vol cagers travel to McKenzie to tangle with the Bethel College Wildcats. Having their own share of bad bounces, the Wildcats have posted a 1-11 mark so far. The nearby "Cats" upset Christian Brothers College in Memphis, the Vols Saturday night foe, last week to notch their first win of the campaign.

In the 21-game series history UTM commands a 13-8 margin. Last year the Vols handled Bethel 75-62 and 83-61.

On the road again Saturday, the Volunteers face CBC in Memphis in another VSAC tilt. The two quintets have only met four times. Each squad has won two. The Buccaneers dumped the Orangemen 84-82 on the Bucs' home court and the Vols returned the favor here by thumping CBC 75-63 in Martin.

The Bucs are 1-1 in loop

playing having lost to Bethel and winning over Belmont. After the CBC game the Vols start a three-game home stand against Austin Peay, January 19.

Regular starter Byron Kuehner who was unable to make the Delta trip but should be ready for Thursday's game. The other guard will be Robert Barger. Don Burnette and Don High will man the forwards and 6' 7" "Gator" Martin will start at center.

Winter Enrollment Slightly Decreased

Enrollment for winter quarter decreased slightly with the registration of 2650 students. This figure, including 1652 men and 990 women, represents a decrease of 160 students from last quarter.

The number of students in each department are as follows: agriculture, 299; education, 941; business administration, 425; engineering, 257; home economics, 193; and liberal arts, 527.

College Master Policyholder OF THE WEEK

Ray Geddings from Manning, S. C. Ray is a member of the Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity, Circle K, A Company Commander in R. O. T. C. He has been an outstanding back on the U. T. M. B. football team for four years. He will be commissioned as a 2nd Lt. after graduation.



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